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NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM  
WASTE DISCHARGE PERMIT No. WA 004492-0

State of Washington  
DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY  
Spokane, Washington 99205-1295

In compliance with the provisions of  
The State of Washington Water Pollution Control Law  
Chapter 90.48 Revised Code of Washington  
and  
The Federal Water Pollution Control Act  
(The Clean Water Act)  
Title 33 United States Code, Section 1251 et seq.  
authorizes

Town of Wilbur  
P.O. Box 214  
Wilbur, Washington 99185

Plant Location: Wilbur, Washington	Receiving Water: Goose Creek
Water Body I.D. No.: 19-43-03	Discharge Location: Latitude: 47° 46' 02" N Longitude: 118° 44' 36" W
Plant Type: Wastewater Stabilization Ponds	

to discharge wastewater in accordance with the special and general conditions that follow.

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**SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED PERMIT REPORT SUBMITTALS**

<b>Permit Section</b>	<b>Submittal</b>	<b>Frequency</b>	<b>First Submittal Date</b>
S3.A.	Discharge Monitoring Report	Monthly, no later than the 15th day of the month following the completed reporting period	
S4.B.	Notification of new or altered sources	as necessary	
S5.B	Updated Operation and Maintenance Manual	as necessary	
S5.D.	Notice of Short-term Reduction in Treatment Level	as necessary	
S6.	Report on Construction- or Maintenance-related Bypass	as necessary	
S9.	Compliance Schedule		
	Wastewater Facilities Plan	Once	
G.17	Application for permit renewal	as necessary	

## SPECIAL CONDITIONS

### S1. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS

Beginning on the completion and acceptance of a wastewater treatment facility upgrade and lasting through the expiration date the Permittee is authorized to discharge municipal wastewater at the permitted location subject to the following limitations:

	<b>EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS<sup>a</sup></b>	
<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Average Monthly</b>	<b>Average Weekly</b>
Carbonaceous Biochemical Oxygen Demand (5 day)	20 mg/L, 46 lbs/day	30 mg/L, 69 lbs/day
Total Suspended Solids <sup>b</sup>	30 mg/L, 69 lbs/day	45 mg/L, 103 lbs/day
Fecal Coliform Bacteria	200/100 mL	400/100 mL
pH <sup>c</sup>	shall not be outside the range 6.0 to 9.0	
Total Residual Chlorine		0.011 mg/L
<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Average Monthly</b>	<b>Daily Maximum<sup>d</sup></b>
Ammonia ( as N)	3.36 mg/L	6.84 mg/L
<sup>a</sup> The average monthly and weekly effluent limitations are based on the arithmetic mean of the samples taken with the exception of fecal coliform, which is based on the geometric mean.		
<sup>b</sup> The average monthly effluent concentration for Total Suspended Solids shall not exceed 30 mg/L or 15 percent of the respective monthly average influent concentrations, whichever is more stringent.		
<sup>c</sup> Indicates the range of permitted values. When pH is continuously monitored, excursions between 5.0 and 6.0, or 9.0 and 10.0 shall not be considered violations provided no single excursion exceeds 60 minutes in length and total excursions do not exceed 7 hours and 30 minutes per month. Any excursions below 5.0 and above 10.0 are violations. The instantaneous maximum and minimum pH shall be reported monthly.		
<sup>d</sup> The maximum daily effluent limitation is defined as the highest allowable daily discharge. The daily discharge means the discharge of a pollutant measured during a calendar day. For pollutants with limitations expressed in units of mass, the daily discharge is calculated as the total mass of the pollutant discharged over the day. For other units of measurement, the daily discharge is the average measurement of the pollutant over the day.		

**S2. TESTING SCHEDULE**

The Permittee shall monitor the wastewater and sludge according to the following schedule:

Tests	Sample Point	Sampling Frequency	Sample Type
CBOD <sub>5</sub> influent <sup>(1)</sup>	influent manhole	Biweekly <sup>(6)</sup>	24 hr. <sup>(4)</sup> composite
CBOD <sub>5</sub> effluent <sup>(2)</sup>	effluent manhole	Biweekly <sup>(6)</sup>	Grab
TSS influent <sup>(1)</sup>	influent manhole	Biweekly <sup>(6)</sup>	24 hr. <sup>(4)</sup> composite
TSS effluent <sup>(2)</sup>	effluent manhole	Biweekly <sup>(6)</sup>	Grab
Chlorine residual <sup>(2)</sup>	effluent manhole	Daily <sup>(3)</sup>	Grab
pH <sup>(2)</sup>	effluent manhole	Daily <sup>(3)</sup>	Grab
NH <sub>3</sub> - N influent <sup>(1)</sup>	influent manhole	Once per week	24 hr. <sup>(4)</sup> composite
NH <sub>3</sub> - N effluent <sup>(2)</sup>	effluent manhole	Once per week	Grab
Influent Flow	Influent lift	Continuous	Measurement
Effluent Flow	effluent manhole weir	Daily <sup>(3)</sup>	Measurement
Fecal Coliform Bacteria <sup>(2)</sup>	effluent manhole	Once per week	Grab
<p>(1) During a period of no effluent discharge the monitoring frequency may be reduced to monthly until effluent flows once again return.</p> <p>(2) During a period of no effluent discharge the monitoring of the effluent quality is suspended until effluent flows once again return.</p> <p>(3) Daily means working day, normally Monday through Friday.</p> <p>(4) 8 hr. manual composite may be substituted until automatic composite samplers are in place.</p>			

The Permittee shall monitor the water quality of Goose Creek at station G2 and G3 used for the Goose Creek study done in 2002 and 2003 and published in 2004:

Tests	Sample Point	Sampling Frequency <sup>(5)</sup>	Sample Type
NH <sub>3</sub> - N	Sta. G2 & G3	Biweekly <sup>(6)</sup>	Grab
pH	Sta. G2 & G3	Biweekly <sup>(6)</sup>	Grab
Dissolved Oxygen	Sta. G2 & G3	Biweekly <sup>(6)</sup>	Grab
Alkalinity	Sta. G2 & G3	Biweekly <sup>(6)</sup>	Grab
Chlorine Residual	Sta. G2 & G3	Biweekly <sup>(6)</sup>	Grab
Temperature °C	Sta. G2 & G3	Biweekly <sup>(6)</sup>	Grab

- (5) Monitoring of Goose Creek will commence January 1 and continue until wastewater effluent discharges have ceased for two weeks.
- (6) Sampling shall occur in the second and fourth weeks of the months

### **S3. MONITORING AND REPORTING**

The Permittee shall monitor and report in accordance with the following conditions.

#### **A. Reporting**

Monitoring results obtained during the previous month shall be summarized and reported on a form provided, or otherwise approved, by the Department, to be submitted no later than the 15th day of the month following the completed reporting period. The report(s) shall be sent to the attention of the permit coordinator: Department of Ecology, Eastern Regional Office Spokane, Washington 99205-1295. Monitoring shall be started on the effective date of the permit and the first report is due on the 15th day of the following month. This report is limited to the parameters specified in condition(s) S2.

#### **B. Records Retention**

The Permittee shall retain records of all monitoring information, including all calibration and maintenance records and all original recordings for continuous monitoring instrumentation, copies of all reports required by this permit, and records of all data used to complete the application for this permit, for a period of at least 3 years. The Permittee shall retain for a minimum of five (5) years all records pertaining to the monitoring of sludge. This period of retention shall be extended during the course of any unresolved litigation regarding the discharge of pollutants by the Permittee or when requested by the Director.

#### **C. Recording of Results**

For each measurement or sample taken, the Permittee shall record the following information: (1) the date, exact place and time of sampling; (2) the individual who performed the sampling or measurement; (3) the dates the analyses were performed; (4) who performed the analyses; (5) the analytical techniques or methods used; and (6) the results of all analyses.

#### **D. Representative Sampling**

Samples and measurements taken to meet the requirements of this permit shall be representative of the volume and nature of the monitored discharge, including representative sampling of any unusual discharge or discharge condition, including bypasses, upsets and maintenance-related conditions affecting effluent quality.

#### **E. Test Procedures**

All sampling and analytical methods used to meet the wastewater monitoring requirements specified in this permit shall conform to the *Guidelines Establishing*

*Test Procedures for the Analysis of Pollutants* contained in 40 CFR Part 136, unless otherwise specified in this permit or approved in writing by the Department.

Sludge monitoring requirements specified in this permit shall be conducted according to test procedures specified in 40 CFR Part 503.

F. Flow Measurement

Appropriate flow measurement devices and methods consistent with accepted scientific practices shall be selected and used to ensure the accuracy and reliability of measurements of the volume of monitored discharges. The devices shall be installed, calibrated, and maintained to ensure that the accuracy of the measurements are consistent with the accepted industry standard for that type of device. Frequency of calibration shall be in conformance with manufacturer's recommendations or at a minimum frequency of at least one calibration per year. Calibration records shall be retained for at least three years.

G. Laboratory Accreditation

All monitoring data, except for flow, temperature, settleable solids, conductivity, pH, and internal process control parameters, shall be prepared by a laboratory registered or accredited under the provisions of, Accreditation of Environmental Laboratories, chapter 173-50 WAC. Conductivity and pH shall be accredited if the laboratory must otherwise be registered or accredited. Soils and hazardous waste data are exempted from this requirement pending accreditation of laboratories for analysis of these media by the Department.

H. Additional Monitoring by the Permittee

If the Permittee monitors any pollutant more frequently than required by this permit (S2.) using test procedures specified by Condition S3.E. of this permit, then the results of this monitoring shall be included in the Permittee's self-monitoring reports.

I. Signatory Requirements

All applications, reports, or information submitted to the Department shall be signed and certified.

1. All permit applications shall be signed by either a principal executive officer or ranking elected official.
2. All reports required by this permit and other information requested by the Department shall be signed by a person described above or by a duly authorized representative of that person. A person is a duly authorized representative only if:

- a. The authorization is made in writing by a person described above and submitted to the Department, and
  - b. The authorization specifies either an individual or a position having responsibility for the overall operation of the regulated facility, such as the position of plant manager, superintendent, position of equivalent responsibility, or an individual or position having overall responsibility for environmental matters. (A duly authorized representative may thus be either a named individual or any individual occupying a named position.)
3. Changes to authorization. If an authorization under paragraph I.2.b is no longer accurate because a different individual or position has responsibility for the overall operation of the facility, a new authorization satisfying the requirements of I.2.b must be submitted to the Department prior to or together with any reports, information, or applications to be signed by an authorized representative.
  4. Certification. Any person signing a document under this section shall make the following certification:

"I certify under penalty of law, that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gathered and evaluated the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system or those persons directly responsible for gathering information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for willful violations."

#### **S4. PREVENTION OF FACILITY OVERLOADING**

##### **A. Design Criteria**

Flows or waste loadings of the following design criteria for the permitted treatment facility shall not be exceeded.

Average influent flow for the maximum month:	173,700 gpd
Influent BOD <sub>5</sub> loading for maximum month:	290 lbs/day
Influent TSS loading for maximum month:	290 lbs/day

##### **B. Notification of New or Altered Sources**

The Permittee shall submit written notice to the Department whenever any new discharge or increase in volume or change in character of an existing discharge into the sewer is proposed which: (1) would interfere with the operation of, or

exceed the design capacity of, any portion of the collection or treatment system; (2) would increase the total system flow or influent waste loading by more than 10 percent; (3) is not part of an approved general sewer plan or approved plans and specifications; or would be subject to pretreatment standards under 40 CFR Part 403 and Section 307(b) of the Clean Water Act. This notice shall include an evaluation of the system's ability to adequately transport and treat the added flow and/or wasteload.

## **S5. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF MUNICIPAL FACILITIES**

### **A. Certified Operator**

In accordance with chapter 173-230 WAC, the Permittee shall provide an adequate operating staff which is qualified to carry out the operation, maintenance, and testing activities required to ensure compliance with the conditions of this permit. An operator certified for a Class I plant by the State of Washington shall be in responsible charge of the day-to-day operation of the wastewater treatment plant. A Class I operator shall be present at the facility during all shifts when operational changes are made to the treatment process.

### **B. O & M Manual**

The approved operation and maintenance manual shall be kept available at the treatment plant. The operation and maintenance manual shall contain the plant process control monitoring schedule. All operators are responsible for being familiar with, and using, this manual. The operation and maintenance manual shall be updated as needed. Updated portions of the operations and maintenance manual shall be submitted to the Department for review and approval.

### **C. O & M Program**

The Permittee shall institute an adequate operation and maintenance program for their entire sewage system. Maintenance records shall be maintained on all major electrical and mechanical components of the treatment plant, as well as the sewage system and pumping stations. Such records shall clearly specify the frequency and type of maintenance recommended by the manufacturer and shall show the frequency and type of maintenance performed. These maintenance records shall be available for inspection at all times.

### **D. Short-term Reduction**

If a Permittee contemplates a reduction in the level of treatment that would cause an exceedance of permit effluent limitations on a short-term basis for any reason, and such reduction cannot be avoided, the Permittee shall give written notification to the Department (if possible) 30 days prior to such activities. The notification shall detail the reasons for, length of time, and the potential effects of the reduced level of treatment. If such a reduction involves a bypass, the requirements of Conditions G5 and S6 apply.

E. Electrical Power Failure

The Permittee is responsible for maintaining adequate safeguards to prevent the discharge of untreated wastes or wastes not treated in accordance with the requirements of this permit during electrical power failure at the treatment plant and/or sewage lift stations either by means of alternate power sources, standby generator, or retention of inadequately treated wastes. The Permittee shall maintain Reliability Class II at the wastewater treatment plant, which requires primary sedimentation and disinfection.

F. Prevent Connection of Inflow

The Permittee shall strictly enforce their sewer ordinances and not allow the connection of inflow (roof drains, foundation drains, etc.) to the sanitary sewer system.

**S6. CONSTRUCTION OR MAINTENANCE-RELATED OVERFLOW OR BYPASS**

Bypasses of untreated or partially treated sewage during construction or maintenance shall be avoided if at all feasible.

If a construction or maintenance-related overflow or bypass is contemplated, the Permittee shall submit to the Department, not less than 90 days prior to the contemplated overflow or bypass, a report which describes in detail any construction work which will result in overflow or bypass of wastewater. The report shall contain: (1) an analysis of all known alternatives which would eliminate, reduce, or mitigate the need for bypassing; (2) a cost-effectiveness analysis of alternatives including comparative resource damage assessment; (3) the minimum and maximum duration of bypass under each alternative; (4) a recommendation as to the preferred alternative for conducting the bypass; (5) the project date of bypass initiation; (6) a statement of compliance with SEPA; and (7) a request for a water quality modification, as provided for in WAC 173-201A-110.

For probable construction bypasses, the need to bypass is to be identified as early in the planning process as possible. The analysis required above shall be considered during preparation of the engineering report or facilities plan and plans and specifications and shall be included to the extent practical. In cases where the probable need to bypass is determined early, continued analysis is necessary up to and including the construction period in an effort to minimize or eliminate the bypass.

Final authorization to bypass may be granted after review of the above information, in accordance with General Condition G5. Authorization to bypass will be by administrative order.

**S7. RESIDUAL SOLIDS**

Residual solids include screenings, grit, scum, primary sludge, waste activated sludge and other solid waste. The Permittee shall store and handle all residual solids in such a manner so as to prevent their entry into state ground or surface waters. The Permittee shall not discharge leachate from residual solids to state surface or ground waters.

**S8. PRETREATMENT****A. General Requirements**

The Permittee shall work cooperatively with the Department to ensure that all commercial and industrial users of the wastewater treatment system are in compliance with the pretreatment regulations promulgated in 40 CFR Part 403 and any additional pretreatment regulations that may be promulgated under Section 307(b) and reporting requirements under Section 308 of the Federal Clean Water Act.

**B. Discharge Authorization Required**

Significant commercial or industrial operations shall not be allowed to discharge wastes to the Permittee's sewerage system until they have received prior authorization from the Department in accordance with chapter 90.48 RCW and chapter 173-216 WAC, as amended. The Permittee shall immediately notify the Department of any proposed new sources, as defined in 40 CFR 403.3(k), from significant commercial or industrial operations.

**C. General Prohibitions**

In accordance with 40 CFR 403.5(a), a nondomestic discharger may not introduce into the Permittee's sewerage system any pollutant(s) that cause pass through or interference.

**D. Specific Prohibitions**

In accordance with 40 CFR 403.5(b), the following nondomestic discharges shall not be discharged into the Permittee's sewerage treatment system.

1. Pollutants that create a fire or explosion hazard in the POTW (including, but not limited to waste streams with a closed cup flashpoint of less than 140 degrees Fahrenheit or 60 degrees Centigrade using the test methods specified in 40 CFR 261.21).
2. Pollutants that will cause corrosive structural damage to the Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW), but in no case discharges with pH lower than 5.0 standard units, unless the works are specifically designed to accommodate such discharges.
3. Solid or viscous pollutants in amounts that could cause obstruction to the flow in sewers or otherwise interfere with the operation of the POTW.
4. Any pollutant, including oxygen demanding pollutants, (BOD, etc.) released in a discharge at a flow rate and/or pollutant concentration which will cause interference with the POTW.
5. Heat in amounts that will inhibit biological activity in the POTW resulting in interference, but in no case heat in such quantities such that the

temperature at the POTW exceeds 40°C (104°F) unless the Department, upon request of the Permittee, approves, in writing, alternate temperature limits.

6. Petroleum oil, nonbiodegradable cutting oil, or products of mineral origin in amounts that will cause interference or pass through.
7. Pollutants which result in the presence of toxic gases, vapors, or fumes within the POTW in a quantity which may cause acute worker health and safety problems.
8. Any trucked or hauled pollutants, except at discharge points designated by the Permittee.

E. Notification of Industrial User Violations

The Permittee shall notify the Department if any nondomestic user violates the prohibitions listed in S8.C and S8.D.

## **S9. COMPLIANCE SCHEDULE**

The Town shall submit a Wastewater Facilities Plan Update by June 30, 2006. The wastewater facilities plan shall meet the requirements of:

1. Chapter 173-240 WAC, Submission of Plans and Reports for Construction of Wastewater Facilities, and the facility planning requirements of “Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations.”
2. Chapter 90.48 RCW, Water Pollution Control, including section Chapter 90.48.110 RCW regarding water conservation; and Chapter 90.48.112 RCW regarding water reclamation;
3. The facility planning requirements of 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR).

The wastewater facilities plan shall include an evaluation of the impact of seepage losses from the unlined lagoon cells of the wastewater treatment facility on ground water and recommend corrective action.

## **GENERAL CONDITIONS**

### **G1. SIGNATORY REQUIREMENTS**

All applications, reports, or information submitted to the Department shall be signed and certified.

- A. All permit applications shall be signed by either a principal executive officer or a ranking elected official.
- B. All reports required by this permit and other information requested by the Department shall be signed by a person described above or by a duly authorized representative of that person. A person is a duly authorized representative only if:
  - 1. The authorization is made in writing by a person described above and submitted to the Department, and
  - 2. The authorization specifies either an individual or a position having responsibility for the overall operation of the regulated facility, such as the position of plant manager, superintendent, position of equivalent responsibility, or an individual or position having overall responsibility for environmental matters. (A duly authorized representative may thus be either a named individual or any individual occupying a named position.)
- C. Changes to authorization. If an authorization under paragraph B.2. above is no longer accurate because a different individual or position has responsibility for the overall operation of the facility, a new authorization satisfying the requirements of B.2. must be submitted to the Department prior to or together with any reports, information, or applications to be signed by an authorized representative.
- D. Certification. Any person signing a document under this section shall make the following certification:

"I certify under penalty of law, that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gathered and evaluated the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system or those persons directly responsible for gathering information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations."

### **G2. RIGHT OF ENTRY**

The Permittee shall allow an authorized representative of the Department, upon the presentation of credentials and such other documents as may be required by law:

- A. To enter upon the premises where a discharge is located or where any records must be kept under the terms and conditions of this permit;
- B. To have access to and copy at reasonable times any records that must be kept under the terms of the permit;
- C. To inspect at reasonable times any monitoring equipment or method of monitoring required in the permit;
- D. To inspect at reasonable times any collection, treatment, pollution management, or discharge facilities; and
- E. To sample at reasonable times any discharge of pollutants.

### **G3. PERMIT ACTIONS**

This permit shall be subject to modification, suspension, or termination, in whole or in part by the Department for any of the following causes:

- A. Violation of any permit term or condition;
- B. Obtaining a permit by misrepresentation or failure to disclose all relevant facts;
- C. A material change in quantity or type of waste disposal;
- D. A material change in the condition of the waters of the state; or
- E. Nonpayment of fees assessed pursuant to RCW 90.48.465.

The Department may also modify this permit, including the schedule of compliance or other conditions, if it determines good and valid cause exists, including promulgation or revisions of regulations or new information.

### **G4. REPORTING A CAUSE FOR MODIFICATION**

The Permittee shall submit a new application, or a supplement to the previous application, along with required engineering plans and reports, whenever a material change in the quantity or type of discharge is anticipated which is not specifically authorized by this permit. This application shall be submitted at least 60 days prior to any proposed changes. Submission of this application does not relieve the Permittee of the duty to comply with the existing permit until it is modified or reissued.

### **G5. PLAN REVIEW REQUIRED**

Prior to constructing or modifying any wastewater control facilities, an engineering report and detailed plans and specifications shall be submitted to the Department for approval in accordance with Chapter 173-240 WAC. Engineering reports, plans, and specifications should be submitted at least 180 days prior to the planned start of construction. Facilities shall be constructed and operated in accordance with the approved plans.

**G6. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS AND STATUTES**

Nothing in the permit shall be construed as excusing the Permittee from compliance with any applicable federal, state, or local statutes, ordinances, or regulations.

**G7. DUTY TO REAPPLY**

The Permittee must apply for permit renewal at least 180 days prior to the specified expiration date of this permit.

**G8. REMOVED SUBSTANCES**

Collected screenings, grit, solids, sludges, filter backwash, or other pollutants removed in the course of treatment or control of wastewaters shall not be re-suspended or reintroduced to the final effluent stream for discharge to state waters.

**G9. TOXIC POLLUTANTS**

If any applicable toxic effluent standard or prohibition (including any schedule of compliance specified in such effluent standard or prohibition) is established under Section 307(a) of the Clean Water Act for a toxic pollutant and that standard or prohibition is more stringent than any limitation upon such pollutant in the permit, the Department shall institute proceedings to modify or revoke and reissue the permit to conform to the new toxic effluent standard or prohibition.

**G10. OTHER REQUIREMENTS OF 40 CFR**

All other requirements of 40 CFR 122.41 and 122.42 are incorporated in this permit by reference.

**G11. ADDITIONAL MONITORING**

The Department may establish specific monitoring requirements in addition to those contained in this permit by administrative order or permit modification.

**G12. PAYMENT OF FEES**

The Permittee shall submit payment of fees associated with this permit as assessed by the Department. The Department may revoke this permit if the permit fees established under Chapter 173-224 WAC are not paid.

**G13. PENALTIES FOR VIOLATING PERMIT CONDITIONS**

Any person who is found guilty of willfully violating the terms and conditions of this permit shall be deemed guilty of a crime, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of up to ten thousand dollars and costs of prosecution, or by imprisonment in the discretion of the court. Each day upon which a willful violation occurs may be deemed a separate and additional violation.

Any person who violates the terms and conditions of a waste discharge permit shall incur, in addition to any other penalty as provided by law, a civil penalty in the amount of up to ten thousand dollars for every such violation. Each and every such violation shall be a separate and distinct offense, and in case of a continuing violation, every day's continuance shall be and be deemed to be a separate and distinct violation.